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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Delete the Abstract in its entirety and substitute therefor the Abstract attached hereto.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 4, insert --BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--;
line 25, after A, insert --";
line 27, delete "said";
line 28, change "latter" to --pipe--;
line 29, change "which" (second occurrence) to --as--;
line 30, change "causing" to --causes--.

Page 3, line 6, after "US", insert --Patent--;
line 27, after "US", insert --Patent--;
change "3,768,209" to -- 3,768,269--;
line 29, after "US", insert --Patent--;
line 31, after "US", insert --Patent--.

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